## **REMARKS**

Applicant has amended claims 4, 6, 9-12, 14, 16, 18, 22, 24, 29, 31-33, 36-37, 40-41, 46-49, 55, 58-60, 63-67, 81, 85-94, 98-99, 102-103, 107, 109, 115, 117, 119, 121, 125, and 127-128. Applicants have amended the claims to remove multiple dependencies. No new matter is presented. Claims 1-128 are pending. Applicant submits that the pending claims are supported by the specification.

## **Summary**

Applicant submits that the claims of the present application are in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is earnestly solicited. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicant's representative at the telephone number listed below, if the Examiner believes that doing so will advance prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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